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Advisory Announcement

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Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement #31 Emergency Orders 34 & 35

This is the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in King Salmon with an announcement for permit holders in the Naknek-Kvichak and Egegik districts. The time is 3:00 p.m. and the date is Wednesday, July 5, 2023.

Naknek-Kvichak District

On July 4, Naknek River escapement was 196,000 for a cumulative of 407,000; Kvichak River escapement was 3,200 for a cumulative of 89,000; and Alagnak River escapement was 2,300 for a cumulative of 22,500. The Kvichak inriver estimate is 330,000 fish. Harvest on July 4 was 388,000 fish for a cumulative of 3.2 million.

The Naknek Section will open to drift gillnet gear for a 9-hour period from 2:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Thursday, July 6 and again for a 7-hour period from 2:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 6. The current set gillnet period in the Naknek-Kvichak District will be extended for 25 hours from 8:30 p.m. Wednesday July 5 until 9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 6.

Egegik District

Egegik Tower escapement on July 4 was 51,000 fish, bringing the season total to 654,000 fish. Harvest on July 4 was 479,000 fish, for a total of 4.9 million on the season.

Egegik District will open to commercial fishing with set gillnet gear for 8 hours from 1:15 a.m. until 9:15 a.m. and again for 8 hours from 1:15 p.m. until 9:15 p.m. Thursday, July 6. Commercial fishing with drift gillnet gear will open for 6 hours from 1:15 a.m. until 7:15 a.m. and again for 5.5 hours from 1:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Thursday, July 6.

Naknek-Kvichak and Egegik district fishermen should stand by at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, July 6 for the next possible announcement.

This has been the Alaska Dept. of Fish & Game in King Salmon.

Connected EO's: 2F-T-34-23, 2F-T-35-23